

United States Court of Appeals

For the Seventh Circuit

Chicago, Illinois 60604

February 16, 2018

By the Court:

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| UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, |] | Appeals from the United |
| Plaintiff-Appellee, |] | States District Court for |
| |] | the Northern District of |
| Nos. 17-1650, 17-2854, 17-2858, |] | Illinois, Eastern Division. |
| 17-2877, 17-2899, 17-2917, |] | |
| 17-2918, 17-2931 & 17-3449 v. |] | No. 1:13-cr-00774 |
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| BYRON BROWN, also known as B-Rupt, |] | John J. Tharp, Jr., |
| WILLIAM FORD, GABRIEL BUSH, |] | Judge. |
| PARIS POE, DERRICK VAUGHN, |] | |
| STANLEY VAUGHN, ARNOLD COUNCIL, |] | |
| GREGORY CHESTER and RODNEY JONES, |] | |
| Defendants-Appellants. |] | |
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| UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, |] | Appeal from the United |
| Plaintiff-Appellee, |] | States District Court for |
| |] | the Northern District of |
| No. 17-3063 | v. | Illinois, Eastern Division. |
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| GREGORY CHESTER, |] | No. 1:13-cr-00288 |
| Defendant-Appellant. |] | |
| |] | John J. Tharp, Jr., |
| |] | Judge. |

This matter comes before the court for its consideration of attorney Steven Shobat's **MOTION TO WITHDRAW AND FOR APPOINTMENT OF NEW COUNSEL UNDER THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACT**, filed on September 13, 2017 in appeal no. 17-2858. Upon consideration thereof,

IT IS ORDERED that the Motion to Withdraw is **GRANTED**.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that attorney Erika L. Bierma, STAFFORD ROSENBAUM LLP, 222 W. Washington Avenue, P.O. Box 1784, Madison, WI 53701, is appointed to represent defendant-appellant Gabriel Bush in appeal no. 17-2858 pursuant to the provisions of the Criminal Justice Act. Counsel is directed to contact the defendant-appellant immediately.

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The briefing schedule in appeal nos. 17-2854, 17-2858, 17-2877, 17-2899, 17-2917, 17-2918, 17-2931, 17-3063, and 17-3469 shall proceed as follows:

1. Defendants-appellants shall file their briefs and required short appendices on or before July 20, 2018.
2. Plaintiff-appellee shall file its consolidated brief on or before August 20, 2018.
3. Defendants-appellants shall file their reply briefs, if any, on or before September 4, 2018.

Counsel for appellants are encouraged to avoid unnecessary duplication by filing a joint brief or a joint appendix or by adopting parts of a co-appellant's brief. Duplicative briefing will be stricken. See *United States v. Martin*, Nos. 99-2621, et al., slip op. at 13-14 (7th Cir. Nov. 1, 1999); *United States v. Torres*, 170 F.3d 749 (7th Cir. 1999); *United States v. Ashman*, 964 F.2d 596 (7th Cir. 1992).

Appellants, however, may not adopt the "Jurisdictional Statement" of another. Each appellant's brief must include a complete "Jurisdictional Statement". Appellee's brief must comply with Circuit Rule 28(b).

Important Scheduling Notice !

Notices of hearing for particular appeals are mailed shortly before the date of oral argument. Criminal appeals are scheduled shortly after the filing of the appellant's main brief; civil appeals after the filing of the appellee's brief. If you foresee that you will be unavailable during a period in which your particular appeal might be scheduled, please write the clerk advising him of the time period and the reason for such unavailability. Session data is located at <http://www.ca7.uscourts.gov/cal/calendar.pdf>. Once an appeal is formally scheduled for a certain date, it is very difficult to have the setting changed. See Circuit Rule 34(e).